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The Honorable Peter DeFazio Chair Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
2165 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding in the amount of \$1,200,000 for the Critical Urban Freight Corridor (CUFC) - Washington Street Widening Project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is **Port of Stockton** and the project is located at 2201 West Washington Street, Stockton, CA, 95203.

The funding is designated to assist the Port of Stockton in funding a needed Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Analysis required to proceed to the second phase - the construction and the actual widening of Washington Street from two lanes to four lanes. When completed, the construction (Phase II) will significantly improve local, regional, and interregional access to the Port's East and West Complex development areas. With the recent completions of the Crosstown Freeway Extension, Navy Drive Widening, and the Navy Bridge. Washington Street has become a critical bottleneck creating safety issues, congestion problems, increased emissions, and loss of productivity to the shippers and freight forwarders. Washington Street is the primary link between the Port of Stockton and the National Highway Freight System.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: the project would be consistent with local and regional planning efforts and accommodate planned local, regional, and interregional growth; improve economic development through creation of long-term jobs; reduce delay and congestion by accommodating projected traffic levels on Washington Street by improving traffic flow and decreasing idle times; improve safety and provide more efficient movement between the Port's East and West complexes; reduce emissions for the residents in an area that is adjacent to the Boggs Tract housing community; and reduce emissions for the workers at the Port.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Jerry McNerney Member of Congress